

ABSTRACT

There are provided a compact and portable  
refrigerant recovery device which can easily recover a  
5 refrigerant present in a refrigeration circuit of a used-up  
household refrigerator or an extra-low temperature freezer  
which uses a low boiling point refrigerant at low costs, and  
a method for recovering a refrigerant by using the  
refrigerant recovery device. In the refrigerant recovery  
10 device comprising a refrigerant recovery tank which stores an  
activated carbon for adsorbing the refrigerant, the recovery  
tank is equipped with a detachable cap, and the activated  
carbon is wrapped in unwoven cloth finer than a grain  
diameter of the activated carbon, and stored in the recovery  
15 tank. The refrigerant recovery device is connected to the  
refrigeration circuit, a gas in the refrigerant recovery tank  
is vacuumed to be discharged before the refrigerant of the  
refrigeration circuit is recovered, and then the refrigerant  
is adsorbed on the activated carbon to be recovered.